

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Heike PAHL

Examiner: E. Kemmerer

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Title: PRV-1 GENE AND THE USE THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.